



North Little Rock Municipal Airport
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DIRECTOR'S REPORT March 2007

Sid Crymes and I attended the FAA Southwest Region 2007 Partnership Conference March 6 thru 8, 2007 at Fort Worth, Texas. Each time I attend one of the conferences hosted by the FAA I learn something new about the management and administration of the airport. The emphasis of this conference was the federal legislation proposed by President Bush and the FAA that will have a major impact on general aviation and airports for years to come if the legislation is approved as proposed. I've included material for the Commission in their agenda package for review.

Dr. Kris Shewmake crashed his AVZ, N72PZ, on Sunday March 4, 2007 while attempting to land on the airport runway 23. Fortunately he was not injured. There was damage to the landing gear and airframe. Apparently gusting wind caused the aircraft to float and drift. When power was applied he was unable to obtain the needed lift and crashed on the south embankment of runway 23 at approximately midfield.

On Friday March 16, 2007, I attended the grand opening of the Saline County Airport. The airport layout and design appears outstanding. There are no structures except for two rows of Tee-hangars that were incomplete and another row of larger hangars with some of these hangars completed. There was dirt work for the construction of a parallel taxiway. One taxiway approximately midfield was used for entry and exiting the runway to a ramp. In my opinion the airport has a lot of potential for development that will eventually take some general aviation and perhaps corporate aviation from Little Rock National Airport. They have a large area for commercial development of the airport. I suspect they are at least a couple of years down the road before they will be able to provide the services that they anticipate. I was told they rent their T-hangars for \$125 a month and they have a long waiting list for the hangars.

After much research and considerable consultation with Harry Barrett of Barrett Aviation, we finally obtained the materials needed to get the windsock lighting repaired. On March 16, 2007 the windsock was fully operational with lighting for a cost of about \$1,000.

Staff has been working on updating the airport portion of the city web page. As part of a program to promote the airport anything we do would be an

improvement on what we currently have on the city web page. We are attempting to make the airport more attractive by providing useful information to anyone looking on the city web page about the airport. We hope to have it ready by the end of April 2007.

We received a letter dated March 27, 2007 from Ed Agnew, Manager of the Airports Development Office of the FAA Southwest Region Office requesting we complete the National Base Aircraft Inventory for the airport by April 10, 2007. As previously stated the inventory by GCR & Associates was being completed on behalf of the FAA. I've attempted to notify all tenants by attaching Mr. Agnew's letter and have received an excellent response from tenants.

We have completed most of the Flight Planning Facility interior improvements and now have started on the exterior of the building. This structure is the closest thing we have to an airport terminal and it is imperative that we keep this facility in excellent condition, especially for transient pilots. First impression, of course, is the exterior of the building and how well the area surrounding the building is maintained. Most of the rebar in the roof overhang has been saturated in water and began rusting. The rust has caused expansion of the rebar and subsequent cracking and breaking away of the concrete. The estimated cost of repairs for the building is approximately \$4,000. I've completed and sent paperwork to the Arkansas Aeronautical Department for a 50-50 grant for the project.

The Crepe Myrtles for Aviation Way have been ordered and the long awaited planting of the trees is scheduled for the second week in April. One Call finally marked the area for utility and telephone lines. Due to all the lines on the left side of the road from the entrance, we have redrawn our plan for the trees, but they will still be planted on both sides of Aviation Way. It will definitely dress up the entrance of Aviation Way and make it more eye appealing as you drive in the entrance.

The PowerPoint presentation of the airport is ready for presentation. I'm scheduled to speak at the NLR Sertoma and Little Rock Optimist Clubs the first week of April. I'm also attempting to get with Todd Larsen of the NLR Economic Development Office and Terry Hartwick of the Chamber of Commerce to make the presentation to them and solicit their help in promoting the airport for commercial development and perhaps assist me in obtaining additional speaking engagements.



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North Little Rock Airport Commission
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Dear sirs,

Earlier this month, a traffic stop led to the arrest of two individuals who were dealing a particularly pure form of methamphetamine known as "ice" on airport property. These individuals were not affiliated with the airport and were only working construction here. They will not be back.

Someone cut a patch I had installed on our perimeter fence on the south side of our property near the Catfish Hole. I have repaired the damage.

Acting on a tip from an outstanding confidential informant, I was able to go undercover out in Pulaski County and re-arrest the individual responsible for the Air Charter Express burglary. Perhaps he will remain in jail until his court date this time. If not, I will find him again.

I apologize for not attending the Commission Meeting this month. I am on a turkey hunting vacation in north Arkansas.

Sincerely,

Sgt. Wesley M. Honeycutt
North Little Rock Police Department

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